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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS — SAINT THOMAS MORE COUNCIL 2188

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

We are United

November is upon us, and the year is quickly drawing to a close. Thanksgiving is later this month, followed next month by Christmas and New Year's.

It's a wonderful time of the year to unite with family and friends. And my message this month is about one of the four pillars of Knighthood: "Unity." I would like to see this council more unified.

We here at 2188 have many events, all with charity, fraternity, and patriotism—the remaining three pillars of Knighthood. So far this year, we have received generous support from our brothers. But to reach our goals, this must continue to grow.

The events that generate a large dollar amount for our charities are ...

1. The Friday Night Dinners
2. The Super Bowl
3. The Golf Outing

All I'm asking is for 12 hours per Columbian Year to volunteer for these and our other events. Please call or email me and provide support for these programs.

I want to thank the brothers who always show up and help on events, but again we need more help.

Get involved... "It's Your Council."

I sincerely wish all brothers and their families a Happy, Healthy & Blessed Thanksgiving.



GK FRANK MARICONTI
fms12250@aol.com

**GET INVOLVED ...
"IT'S YOUR COUNCIL."**

FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER: LASAGNA AND MEATBALLS

November's dinner will be held on the 19th.

Admission is \$15 per person;
\$35 For families with children under 12.

For reservations, call Jay Ratino, 973-760-3166.

Reservations must be made by noon, Tuesday, Nov. 16.



We would love to hear from you! Send your comments and suggestions to:
kennfodor@gmail.com
or john@flynndidit.com

Welcome to *The Chancellor*, our council's monthly newsletter!

MEMBERS' NIGHT

Join us for a night of fraternity, food, and football, as we reinstate our Members' Nights on **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 22, BEGINNING AT 7:30 P.M.** at the council hall.

We'll have Monday Night Football on our big screen TVs, with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers hosting the New York Giants. There'll be an array of food so bring your appetite. Cash bar.

It's been a while since our last Member's Night, so don't miss this opportunity for fellowship with your brother knights. Friends and prospective members are welcome.



DECEMBER REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

We will hold a regular business meeting on **MONDAY, DECEMBER 6, BEGINNING AT 8 P.M.** at the council hall.

Please join us to hear about upcoming events and ways that you can help your council make a difference in our community.

CHRISTMAS SOCIAL

Save the date for a Council Christmas Social to be held **FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10, 7:30 P.M.**, at the council hall.

This will be a family event, so wives and children are invited. Prospective members and their families are welcome, as well as.

Check your email and our council website in the coming weeks for further details.



**NOW'S THE TIME
TO GET INVOLVED**
WE'RE DOING MANY EXCITING
AND IMPORTANT THINGS HERE!

Creative Courage

Today, courage is still seen as a most admirable virtue, and those who display it are typically lauded by society. We've heard of "profiles in courage," and many organizations have awards to recognized individuals whom they consider have acted courageously.

What exactly is courage? Courage is defined as the ability to confront fear, pain, risk or danger, uncertainty, or intimidation. Usually, one thinks of "physical courage," which is courage in the face of physical pain, hardship, death, or threat of death.

As it turns out, courage involves a bit more than just being able to face dangerous situations. Thrillseekers do that, and oftentimes, it's just foolhardiness. There is also "moral courage," the ability to act rightly in the face of popular opposition, shame, scandal, or discouragement.

To get a better understanding of the virtue of courage, we can look at the word's origin. "Courage" comes from the Latin "cor," which means heart, the seat of love. So, courage and love are intimately connected. You cannot have the virtue of courage without love. And, ironically, you cannot be courageous without fear.

One of the worst fears we can experience is losing something or someone we love. We don't fear losing what we don't value. Someone with courage isn't without fear but is willing to face that fear—indeed willing to sacrifice himself—in the pursuit of a greater good he values more than the risk of loss or hurt he may face. On the other hand, a coward focuses on preserving himself and will forgo the greater good out of fear of experiencing that loss or hurt.

In *To Kill a Mockingbird*, Atticus Finch's love of justice gives him the courage to risk the disapprobation and rejection of the townspeople to defend Tom Robinson, even to the point of risking grave physical harm by standing down a lynch mob outside the accused man's cell.

In his apostolic letter for the Year of St. Joseph, *Patris corde* (With a father's heart), Pope Francis tells us: "God acts through events and people. To guide the beginning of the history of redemption, God acted by trusting in Joseph's creative courage."

Because he so loved Jesus and Mary, Joseph had the courage to protect his family from those who would do them harm, like when he bore them to Egypt to save them from Herod's murder of the innocents.

As Knights of Columbus we are called to bear Christian witness to an increasingly secular world hostile to religion. Like Atticus Finch, we may need to summon the courage to face the rejection of our neighbors and colleagues to remain true to the faith. Who better to imitate than Joseph who is a model of courage because of his love for Jesus and Mary.

And in times of fear, we can always recall the words from Deuteronomy (31:6), "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the Lord your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you."

**LECTURER'S
REFLECTION**
KEN FODOR

DONA EIS REQUIEM GRANT THEM ETERNAL REST

The St. Thomas More Council annual Memorial Mass for our departed brothers and family was held November 2 at the council hall. Father Thomas Norton celebrated the Mass in memory of those who passed into eternal life this past year:

LUCY LAQUIDARA

JENNIFER ORLANDO

ROBERT AND PHYLISS SILVERA

ALLAN PITTMAN

CORNELIUS (BUDDY) WENTHEN

JOE IRAZZARY

CHRIS DISTACIO

ANTHONY (TONY) MANCINI

ANTHONY (TONY) POLOMSKI

JOHN TOOLE

CHARLES LOMOLINO

DAVID SPIEES

CHRIS CIRILLO

All will be dearly missed.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

LET US PRAY IN MEMORIAM

ROBERT SMITH

EILEEN A. DOMINICZAK

ERLAND J. PETERSEN

All requested by the Restivo family
Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord.

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

Have a laugh at Halloween

Perhaps you've noticed that Halloween has become an increasingly bigger deal over recent years, as our society believes less and less in God, it becomes more fascinated with the forces of darkness: witchcraft is at a new high; ghosts, vampires, the occult, Satanic practice, and so on. TV and movies have been full of these, whether lighthearted and amusing or terrifying and intent on evil.



REV. MSGR. JOSEPH R. CHAPEL

If we look around our neighborhoods, we notice more and more elaborate decorations for Halloween – as elaborate and often more elaborate than decorations for Christmas or Easter.

And in many schools, Halloween celebrations are permitted with all the references to witches, devils, the occult, and evil spirits, while Christmas and Easter and the Holy Spirit are no longer permitted to be mentioned at all!

In all these things, we see that there is increasingly less reference to God; no longer is there a presumption of the existence of God; nor the power of God, and certainly no reference to the concern and care of a loving God in Jesus Christ. So, a word about Halloween!

First and foremost, let's remember that there is no Halloween without "All Saints Day." That is, the very concept of Halloween depends on belief in God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and the Communion of Saints. The word, "Hallowe'en" is a contraction of "All Hallow's Eve." "All Hallows Day" is the British term for "All Saints Day." "All Hallows" as in "hallowed" be thy name, meaning "holy" be thy name, as we say in the "Our Father." Halloween is the "Eve of All Saints" just as Christmas Eve is the Eve of Christmas. Just as we begin celebrating Christmas on Christmas Eve, so we begin celebrating All Saints Day on "All Hallows Eve," that is, on Halloween. Halloween does not exist, even as a concept, without the Feast of All Saints!

The point of Halloween then, is that on this day we laugh at ghosts, goblins, ghouls, witches, and other dark forces. Why do we laugh?? Because these creatures of the night are powerless whenever we invoke the names of God and His Angels and His Saints! So, brother Knights, enjoy the light-hearted fun of "All Hallows Eve" with your families, but do not forget that it has no meaning except in reference to All Saints' Day, the next day, November 1st.

Blessed Michael J. McGivney, pray for us!
God bless you all!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

NOVEMBER

TUESDAY, 11/16
Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity
• 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, 11/19
Friday Night Dinner
• 6 p.m.
• Lasagna and meatbals

SATURDAY, 11/27
Brewery Tour
• 9:30
• parking lot

DECEMBER

MONDAY, 12/6
Regular Business Meeting
• 8 p.m.

FRIDAY, 12/10
Christmas Social
• 7:30 p.m.
• Family welcome

For the most recent information on council events or for more details, check the Event Calendar on our website: www.kofc2188.org

EXEMPLIFICATION OF CHAITY, UNITY, AND FRATERNITY

The council will present an Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity on Tuesday, November 16, at 8 p.m. The exemplification will be for new candidates to our council and any council brother who still needs to complete his second or third degree. If you would like to participate in the exemplification to complete your initiation into the order, please reach out to GK Frank Mariconti (fms12250@aol.com) In the new degree format, family and friends are welcome to attend the exemplification.

TREASURERS'S REPORT

RAYMOND A POLOMSKI
ACCOUNT TOTALS AS OF 11/4/21

ASSETS

Charity Acct	\$ 2,854.00
Operating Acct.	2,091.49
Gaming Acct.....	6,362.41
Scholarship Acct	5,181.80
Scholarship CD.....	10,761.37
TOTAL	\$27,250.27

DEPOSITS

Memorials	\$20.00
Donations	720.00
FND 50/50.....	105.00
Oct FND Gate.....	1,240.00
Pride in Priests Reimbursemsnt.....	140.00
TOTAL.....	\$2,225.00

DEBTS

Rent	\$600.00
Oct FND Expenses.....	758.00
Florist	160.00
Pride in Priests Reservations	280.00
Misc	70.00
BC Chapter K of C Dues.....	171.50
1st Degree Kits	186.59
TOTAL.....	\$ 2,226.09

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

ANGELO RESTIVO
REPORT DATE AND TOTALS AS OF 11/9/21

ASSOCIATE: 154 – Plus 4 from the October report
INSURANCE: 76 – Same as the October report
INACTIVE: 15 – Minus 1 from the October report
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP : 245 – Plus 3 from October.
HONORARY: 3 – Unchanged
HONORARY LIFE: 39 – Unchanged
EXEMPTIONS: 0



RIGHTS AND DUTIES

COURAGE CONSISTS NOT IN HAZARDING WITHOUT FEAR, BUT BEING RESOLUTELY MINDED IN A JUST CAUSE.

— JAMES CARDINAL GIBBONS

HELP NEEDED AT FRIDAY NIGHT DINNERS

We are in need of assistance at the Friday Night Dinners. Please consider volunteering a few hours to support the efforts to fund our charitable donations. These events are an opportunity to fulfill the Knights of Columbus principles: CHARITY, UNITY, and FRATERNITY.

OUR NEXT DINNER IS FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19.

There are three functions you can perform: being a member of the set up crew, serving the meal, or cleaning up after the dinner. **Listed below are the responsibilities of the three groups and all that is asked is that you consider becoming a participant in one of the jobs.**

SET UP CREW

- Set up can be done in stages but completed by 5:30 PM
- Arrange tables on floor
- Set tables with tablecloths, salt & pepper, sugar, table numbers
- Set up 8 chairs per table
- Arrange serving table in L shape near kitchen doors; set up warmer pans, sternos, plates, serving utensils, and forks & knives in bread baskets

SERVERS

- Arrive by 6 PM
- Light Sternos
- Serve reasonable amounts of food to ensure everyone will have sufficient portions
- Replenish food trays
- Ensure someone is at the serving table during food service.
- Serve coffee & dessert

CLEAN UP CREW

- Arrive by 8 PM
- Remove all trays, etc, from serving table and return to kitchen
- Remove all items from tables
- Return table numbers, salt & pepper shakers, sugar
- Place tablecloths and garbage in cans
- Place all garbage bags from hall and kitchen in dumpster outside
- Vacuum carpeting
- Remove chairs and tables as necessary

The work is not difficult, and the time is not excessive. This is a great way to become an active member of the St. Thomas More Council. **Questions? Contact Ray Polomski SK Treasurer, at rpolomski70570@gmail.com**

HAVE YOU SEEN OUR HALL LATELY?



Over the past three years, council members have been working hard, making many renovations and design features to modernize our hall. The hall now functions as a destination for events and parties from across Northern New Jersey. More renovations are in the works. Stop by our next meeting or event and check it out!

FOURTH DEGREE REPORT JOSEPH F. LAMB ASSEMBLY

I'd like to thank the Pope John XXIII Council #5498, in Midland Park, for hosting our October Business Meeting. I would also like to thank our guest speaker, Sir Knight and Captain Daniel P. Quinn, Retired for his absolutely brilliant talk about life as a West Point Army Cadet. Dan is an inspirational young man whose talk provided insights to the fortitude necessary to commit oneself to Duty, Honor, and Country.

November 21 is the Fall Exemplification and Military Ball. I'm happy to announce that we have seven candidates making their Fourth Degree and becoming new members of our wonderful Assembly.

The November Meeting will be abbreviated so that we can celebrate the annual Memorial Mass for deceased Sir Knights. Memorial Mass, with Father Ray, will be held in the Chapel of Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 668 Ridgewood Road, Washington Township. The meeting, in the Rackley Room, will start at 7:30 p.m. so that Mass can begin by 8 p.m. Please join us afterward, back in the Rackley Room for coffee and dessert.

Remember that we are still collecting toys for the Marine's Operation Toy Train. We will meet the train at the station in Midland Park on December 11t between 10:30-11 a.m. Please bring your new, unwrapped toy to the November business meeting.

The wreath laying ceremony for Wreaths Across America is December 4. As of now, it is an open ceremony, and I encourage you to attend. Mark your calendar as more details will be provided soon.

Also mark your calendar for the annual Christmas and PFN Dinner on January 11 at LaNeve's in Haledon.

Below is the complete list of key dates and other upcoming events. Please put them in your calendar.

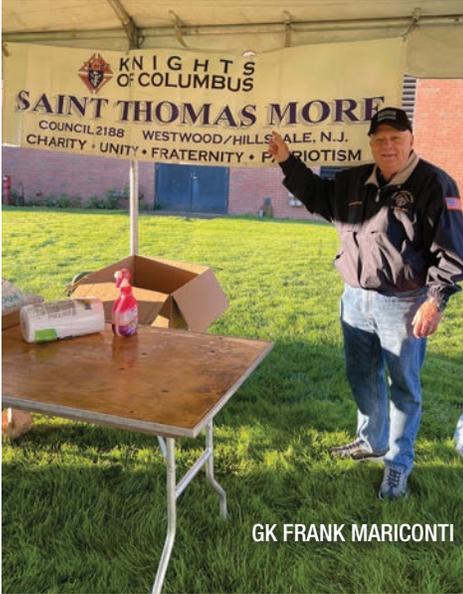
God Bless you and your families. God Bless America. And God Bless the Knights of Columbus.

- **TOYS FOR TOTS** collecting toys at the November Meeting; deliver to Midland Park Train Station on December 11 between 10:30-11.
- **FALL EXEMPLIFICATION AND MILITARY BALL** November 21 at La Neve's, Haledon.
- **MEMORIAL MASS** November 23 at Our Lady of Good Counsel, Washington Township.
- **WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA** Wreath Laying Ceremony is December 4.
- **PFN DINNER/HOLIDAY PARTY** January 11, 2022 at La Neve's; deadline for Veterans Clothing Drive.
- **SPRING EXEMPLIFICATION** April 24, 2022 at La Neve's.
- **COMMUNION BREAKFAST** May 15, 2022.
- **CANNED FOOD DRIVE** March, April, May meetings; deliver to pantry in June

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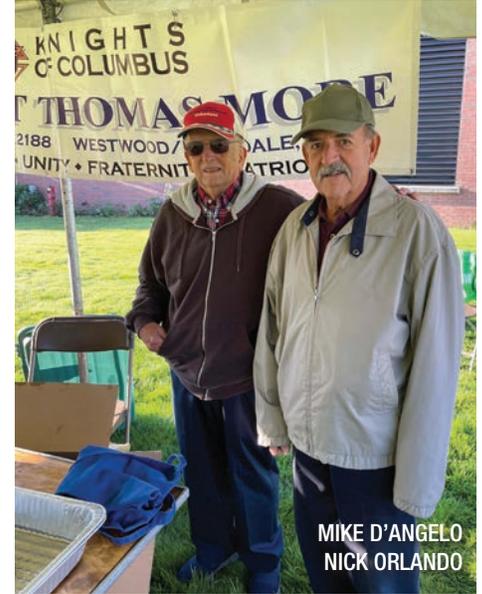
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GEORGE MULHAUSER, PGK



MIKE D'ANGELO
NICK ORLANDO

WESTWOOD SOFTBALL: HALLOWEEN FIELD OF SCREAMS OCTOBER 31



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